



Kelly Wolden, of Vernon, has been named to the Canadian Rifle Association team that will compete in the small arms matches competition next summer in Blair, England. Wolden qualified at the recent national finals in Ottawa. Eighteen people were named to the squad. In 1978, Wolden went to Blisley as a member of the Canadian cadet team.

JUDO SHOWED UP Canada about 1920 among the Judo first appeared in Japanese settlers of B.C.

(Daily News Photo)

ON CANADIAN TEAM

Prior to next summer's competition, he will shoot at several events including a Pacific Coast Rifle Association meet in Victoria, on Sept. 15.

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KENDALL'S KORNER
A little potpourri

Held off at the Vernon Rugby Club. Team members donated 16 pieces of blood this week at the Red Cross Clinic, in the Royal Canadian Legion.

Next Wednesday, several members of the Vernon team will be on the Okanagan-Mainline rep team that hosts the North of Ireland Cricket and Football Club. The visitors are considered one of the top teams in Ireland. Game time is 5 p.m., at the Vernon Senior Secondary School.

The local Munst Soccer Men's Stovepipe Team has entered a 12-team, international tournament in Honolulu, Hawaii.

The annual Founder's Day Tournament will run from Oct. 10 to 12. A total of 11 teams from Hawaii, Alaska, and California will join the Munst squad.

In the next month, Munst will be holding several fund raising events to help finance the trip.

You'll have to excuse the members of the Coldstream Hotel soccer club if they don't want to talk about Kamloops Zinetti. In three meetings this season, Zinetti has beat Coldstream three times and allowed the Vernon club only one goal.

As a result, Coldstream trails first-place Kamloops by one point and faces a must-win situation in its final two Okanagan Soccer League games.

Coldstream travels to Kelowna, twice, to meet Teaneters and Zodiaca. At the same time, the Hotelmen will have to get some help from either Zodiaca or Osoyoos Rialtons, who play Zinetti.

To make things even tougher for Coldstream, player-coach Mary Stein has returned to U.B.C. and probably won't be available for either match.

... Sometimes you have to wonder what makes CBC and its Kelowna affiliate CHBC-TV tick!

Last week, when the B.C. Lions played Saskatchewan Roughriders, the game was televised by CBC. But, for some unknown reason, it was not carried by CHBC.

Then on Tuesday night, when Lions were engaged in a thriller with Hamilton Tiger-Cats, we watched Edmonton Eskimos destroy Ottawa Riders.

I would suggest CBC's ratings dropped sharply when Edmonton took a 42-3 lead.

We've had several inquiries about obtaining tickets for Seattle Seahawks home games. Unless you know someone in Seattle, forget it. All games sell out.

If you'll settle for a baseball game, Seattle Mariners have two weekend home stands left. From Sept. 12 to 14, they host Milwaukee Brewers. And from Sept. 20 to 28, Texas Rangers invade the Kingdom.

NEW RULING IMPOSED
NCAA getting tough with Canadian juniors

British Columbia Junior Hockey League President Vern Dye, of Vernon, said eligibility legislation for junior hockey players imposed by the National Collegiate Athletic Association in the U.S. is "ridiculous."

The NCAA, which controls college sports in the U.S., declared recently after an extensive investigation that players assigned to major junior ice hockey teams are considered professionals and are ineligible for intercollegiate athletics in that sport.

The legislation also applies to those players who are members of a tier two affiliate of a tier one club. The NCAA says that any player who participates in the training camp of a tier one club for more than 48 hours also risks having his college eligibility revoked in the U.S.

Dye said, "The NCAA is forcing the boys to make up their mind in a hurry... and I don't think that is right."

"If a boy is showing any promise, it usually takes five to 10 days for a coach to decide if the player will help his club. Two days isn't enough for the coach."

FIRES UP

The final 10 cuts from tier one teams are usually made after training camp and several exhibition games. For the most part, those cuts end up on tier two affiliates.

Dye said, "I think they should go back to the old rule and permitted players to attend tier one camps and then decide. If they chose tier one, they knew they couldn't go to college. And if they didn't like what they saw at the tier one camp, they could go back to tier two and preserve their college eligibility."

MAY BENEFIT

The BCHL may be one of the major recipients of the new legislation because some players who wish to retain their amateur status may not try out for tier one clubs.

Many of the major junior operators in Canada and the U.S. believe the rule "has been brought about as the result of the underage draft adopted by the National Hockey League, which can select players who have not reached their graduating junior hockey year (age 20) and return them to the junior club for further seasoning under a professional contract."

In addition, the NCAA claims it has gathered information which shows that some major junior teams are receiving direct financial support from professional leagues. For instance, Nelson Skalabain, majority shareholder of Calgary Wranglers and New Westminster Bruins of the WHL, also has controlling interest in two major junior teams — Calgary Wranglers and New Westminster Bruins of the WHL.

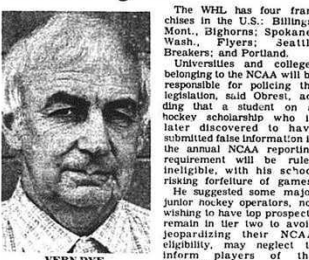
And, any NHL team which selects a player in the entry draft, must compensate the junior club with a development fee.

LACK OF COOPERATION

"It's difficult to know which junior clubs have players under pro contracts and which do not," said David Oberst, director of enforcement for the NCAA. "We can't get any cooperation from the NHL."

"So the only way we can police our amateurism legislation is to declare a blanket rule and apply it equally across the board, declaring all of major junior hockey as professional."

The NCAA, he said, has informed college coaches in the U.S. and the three leagues which comprise the Canadian Major Junior Hockey League — the WHL, Ontario and Quebec leagues — of the eligibility rule.



VERN DYE

Muzz McPherson, the new coach of New Westminster Bruins, said he will make sure all of his players are informed of the ruling before they take to the ice for training camp next month in Abbotsford. He expects about 90 tier one and two prospects at the camp.

"I'd like somebody to define what the NCAA calls pro," McPherson said. "Talk about pros, there are kids on hockey scholarships in the U.S. who get books, tuition, room and board, airline flights and cars — under the table."

Young hockey players have a tough decision

Three Vernon hockey players who have been invited to tier one junior hockey camps are facing a dilemma.

A ruling this week by the National Collegiate Athletic Association states players assigned to tier one major junior clubs will be considered professionals and therefore ineligible for intercollegiate hockey in the U.S. In addition, any player who participates in the training camp of a tier one club for more than 48 hours also risks losing college eligibility.

Joe Leschuk and Kevin Power plan to attend Lehigh University's training camp in Lehigh, Pa. Leschuk's mother, Jean Olsen, said she doesn't know what to do. "I haven't really decided if I want to go to college," he said. "I would like to go to Lehigh, but I don't know if I can't go to college. I won't have much choice."

Heather Boyd became a third generation player in the Okanagan Valley Open Jumping Championship Trophy at the 27th Annual Light Horse and Improvement Association horse show last weekend in Kelowna.

Top Irish team to visit Vernon

Vernon will host a top international rugby team next week.

The North of Ireland Cricket and Football Club, currently on a tour of Western Canada, is expected to arrive in Vernon on Sunday, about 9 p.m.

After three days of sight-seeing, the Irish squad is scheduled to tackle the Okanagan-Mainline Rugby Union rep team Wednesday, at 8 p.m., at Vernon Senior Secondary School. Six members of the rep team are from Vernon.

OLDEST TEAM

The visiting squad is the oldest club in Northern Ireland. It was formed in 1859

and started playing competitive rugby in 1869.

The club has produced more international players than any other team in the country.

There are currently two international stars, Blake Knox and Michael Gibson, on the team. However, Gibson could not make the trip because of an injury.

SPLIT GAMES

Since arriving in Canada, the Irish squad has split two games. In their first outing, they fell 18-10 to Edmonton Leprechauns. And earlier this week, they defeated the high-ranked Calgary Irish side 18-12.

Vernon Club ladies' draw

Sept. 2 — Nassau
8:30 a.m. — T. Kirk, A. King, M. Corralle
8:45 a.m. — C. Merritt, E. Paltrey, M. Irwin
8:55 a.m. — D. Gower, S. Pellick, M. Powers
9:05 a.m. — F. Whiting, J. Stowell, S. Brown
9:15 a.m. — E. Kuchel, R. Wood
9:25 a.m. — K. Hassard, J. Webster, D. Carner, A. Hobbie
9:35 a.m. — B. Pierce, L. Fedoruk, J. Willis, P. Davies.

LOOK BACK FIVE YEARS

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